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SUBJ: YUGOSLAV PRESS ON SECOND AND THIRD DAY OF VIJEDIC VISIT

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- 1. MAR 21 POLITIKA FRONT-PAGED TANJUG REPORTS OF BIJEDIC MAR 20 TALKS WITH CONGRESSMEN AND ACTING SECRETARY, ALONG WITH PICTURE OF MAR 19 BIJEDIC-FORD MEETING. TANJUG ACCOUNTS OF MAR 19 TALKS (DENT, CASEY, MAYS, MCNAMARA), STATE TOAST TEXTS, AND MAR 20 PRESS CONFERENCE APPEARED PAGE 2.
- 2. MAR 21 BORBA SUMMARIZED BIJEDIC'S MAR 19-20 ACTIVITIES IN LONG FRONT-PAGE DRAGAN GANOVIC ARTICLE. ACTING SECRETARY INGERSOLL AND BIJEDIC PICTURED PAGE ONE, TOASTS AND STATE DEPT DINNER PAGE THREE.
- 3. GANOVIC ARTICLE NOTED PARTICULARLY THAT SENATORS
 BIJEDIC MET "WERE VERY FAMILIAR WITH RESULTS OF YUGOSLAV
 DEVELOPMENT", AND SEVERAL WHO HAD RECENTLY BEEN TO YUGOSLAVIA
 CITED THE USEFULNESS OF THEIR VISIT.
- 4. TANJUG ACCOUNT OF ACTING SECRETARY INGERSOLL-BIJEDIC TALKS, PERHAPS FOR NONALIGNED CONSUMPTION, STRESSED BIJEDIC'S APPEAL FOR THE DEVELOPED COUNTRIES "TO UNDERTAKE URGENT MEASURES" TO SOLVE THE "ECONOMIC CRISIS WHICH THE DEVELOPING UNCLASSIFIED

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COUNTRIES ARE FACED WITH TODAY", AND THE "BURNING PROBLEMS"

ARISING FROM THIS IN INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL RELATIONS.

5. PRIME TIME EVENING TV NEWS MARCH 20 ENDED WITH SIX MINUTES ON BIJEDIC'S MAR 19-20 ACTIVITIES. BIJEDIC WAS FREQUENTLY SHOWN ALL SMILES, OBVIOUSLY PLEASED WITH VISIT PROGRESS.

6. COMMENT: THAT YUGOSLAVS ATTACH UNUSUAL IMPORTANCE TO BIJEDIC VISIT IS ILLUSTRATED BY THEIR PROVIDING MAXIMUM PRESS PLAY.
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